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THE OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

HIS MAJESTY'S GRATIFICATION AT THE PACIFIC PACT.

Points of the Premier's Speech.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, February 7.

The State opening of Parliament took place with the usual ceremonial.

Later.

The King's Speech, on the opening of Parliament, referring to the Washington Conference, says that, while the four-Power Pacific treaty replaces the Anglo-Japanese alliance, he is happy to feel that the long-standing Anglo-American concord will remain as cordial as ever at the same time that Anglo-American relations will enter a new era in an even closer phase of friendship. The disarmament treaty provides a large measure of relief from the burden of armaments. In all these respects great results had been attained by the success of the Conference, for which the world owe a deep debt of gratitude to the initiative of the President of the United States, and which would be the happiest augury for future international relations.

The Importance of Retrenchment.

In regard to the Estimates for the coming year, every effort would be made to reduce public expenditure to the lowest possible consistent with the security and efficiency of the State and with public obligations. In view of the necessity of relieving citizens to the utmost from heavy burdens, Parliament would soon be invited to consider measures necessary to give effect to the Irish agreement. A Bill of indemnity would also be submitted.

In regard to unemployment the only remedy is the appeasement of international rivalries and suspicions and the improvement of the conditions of trade throughout the world. His Majesty trusts that the Geneva conference will establish the peace of Europe on a fair basis and settle the many important questions arising from the pressing need of financial and economic reconstruction.

Proposals will be submitted to Parliament for the reform of the House of Lords and for the adjustment of differences between the two Houses.

A Bill will be submitted relating to the establishment of an international trade corporation.

More Benedictions upon Washington.

London, February 7.

The House of Commons was crowded at the opening of the new Session. Moving the Address to the Throne, Capt. D. H. Hacking said that the result of the Washington Conference had been more successful than the most sanguine anticipated. The Pacific treaty was an epoch in the annals of the Empire. He paid a warm tribute to Mr. Balfour.

Capt. Evans, seconding, trusted that nothing would arise to frustrate or fritter away the momentous decisions of the Washington Conference.

Labour Leader on the Disarmament Conference.

The Right Hon. J.R. Clynes (Labour) said that the Washington Conference kept rather too closely to the arithmetic of instruments of war, but the naval agreement was a positive gain, especially if it could be viewed as the first step towards a greater reduction of armaments and better relations among the naval Powers of the world. He was entirely hopeless, however, of ever maintaining the peace of the world by any process of measuring the instruments of war. He hoped that Washington was only the beginning of conferences which would lead to a definite arrangement ending, finally, in the disarmament of the world for the purposes of war.

The Premier's Attitude Towards France.

Mr. Lloyd George said that the Washington Conference was one of the greatest achievements for peace in the history of the world. He paid tribute to Mr. Balfour, and emphasised that the Conference would save millions this year. Mr. Lloyd George urged the necessity of giving France a guarantee, thus restoring her confidence and leading to that calmness of judgment which was vital to wise decisions. Germany must be made to feel that a policy of revenge would not pay. We were in honour bound by the guarantees given by Mr. Wilson and Mr. Balfour at the Versailles Peace Conference.

Replying to Sir Donald Maclean, Mr. Lloyd George said that a full opportunity for discussion of any pact would be given.

As regards Labour complaints concerning unemployment, Mr. Lloyd George pointed out that the Government was spending over a hundred millions yearly in relief.

Adjustment of War Debts.

Mr. Lloyd George said that Britain was quite willing to discuss the adjustment of war debts if all creditor and debtor nations came in, but could not forego her claims when there were heavy ones against her.

The Geddes report would be laid before the House at the end of the week. The Government did not feel justified in following some parts, but was prepared to adopt suggestions involving most drastic cuts in expenditure.

Proposals Regarding Egypt.

Definite proposals regarding Egypt would be announced after the discussions with Lord Allenby. We were willing to meet all the Egyptian people's legitimate national aspirations and to abandon the protectorate upon the fundamental conditions of safeguarding Imperial communications *et cetera*.

The Irish Settlement.

A Bill will be introduced immediately giving the Irish Provisional Government the authority at present vested in the Imperial Government. This was most urgent to enable the Provisional Government to deal with problems like unemployment. It might then be found desirable to seek the opinion of the electors of Ireland on the Treaty. The body so elected would have to frame a new Constitution. The Premier emphasised that the unsuccessful meeting between Mr. Collins and Sir James Craig was only the second; patience was required. The boundaries question would only arise after the Constitution had been incorporated in an Act of Parliament. He concluded by stating that legislation carrying the treaty into effect would be submitted in due course.

Help for Austria.

Mr. Lloyd George, replying to a question, said the Government proposed, pending the United States' suspension of the Austrian Loan, to advance to Austria upon good security the balance of over two millions of the ten millions voted for Mid-Europe. He believed France was also prepared to make an advance.

NO SETTLEMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA.

But Republican Resolution Not Taken Seriously.

(Reuter's Service.)

Johannesburg, February 7.

The resolution demanding a republic emanated from the East Rand, which reefs are the storm-centre. It was moved by Mr. Waterston, a Labour legislator, who styles himself Major-General, but his army is largely regarded as a laughing-stock.

Enthusiasm among the so-called commandoes, which are endeavouring to remove officials from the essential services, is waning. The police have hitherto refrained from arresting the leaders.

Later.

The conference between General Smuts, the Chamber of Mines, and the workers' representatives proved resultless.

A mass meeting at the Town Hall resolved upon denouncing the republican movement.

Official Labour's Repudiation of Resolution.

Capetown, February 7.

Mr. Boydell, leader of the Parliamentary Labour Party, has repudiated the Waterston resolution. He said the Labour Party is pledged to maintain the Constitution. A Nationalist republic would be a social and economic disaster.

"A Republic by Constitutional Means".

Pretoria, February 7.

When twenty members of Parliament and of the Provincial Council met a deputation conveying the Johannesburg resolution in favour of a republic, the Nationalist members repudiated a revolutionary movement, saying that their object was to secure a republic by constitutional means.

THE BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

Senate Committee's Bill.

Paris, February 7.

The Senate Finance Committee's Bill regarding the Banque Industrielle authorises the French Government to negotiate in accord with the Chinese Government a credit operation destined to safeguard the material and moral interests of France by the use of France's share of the Boxer indemnity, an operation which is intended to refloat the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

In regard to the decision to await the statement of M. Poincaré, it was said that in any case it was necessary to know the exact position of the Bank, its liabilities, character, category, depositors, and the exact amount of the Boxer indemnity.

GANDHI'S OFFER.

Government's Firm Reply.

London, February 7.

The Indian Government has issued a statement in reference to Gandhi's offer as set out in a cable yesterday. The statement declares that his demands are such that no Government could even discuss them. Civil disobedience is fraught with such danger to the State that it must be met with sternness and severity. The Government is confident that in taking measures for its suppression it can rely upon the support of all law abiding citizens.

[The previous cable stated that Gandhi had offered to "postpone" civil disobedience if the Viceroy, within seven days, "revised his policy" and fulfilled other stipulations.]

COMMERCIAL AVIATION.

Not Likely to be Successful for Many Years.

London, February 7.

Col. Guest, Secretary of the Air Department, presiding at the Imperial Air Conference at the Guildhall, said the prospect of commercial success in aviation in Europe could not be realised for many years, but the outlook from the Imperial viewpoint was of the brightest. They must concentrate their efforts on distances which could not be bridged except by air, notably from England to India.

BERLIN STRIKES TO BE CALLED OFF.

Negotiations with the Government.

Berlin, February 7.

At the conclusion of the negotiations on the part of the Imperial Chancellor and the Minister of Finance with the representatives of the workers and officials of their organisations, the latter accepted the Government's pledge immediately to adjudicate upon wages and other questions as a suitable basis for calling off the strikes.

CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

Substantial "Benefit" for Old Test Match Player.

Sydney, February 7.

The cricket match between the Australian touring side and the Rest of Australia for the benefit of the ex-Test Match player, Iredale, realised £1,740. The Rest scored 393 and 302 for 5 wickets (declared) while the touring side registered 403 and 260 for 4, the match being drawn.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

RIFLE LEAGUE.

Positions to Date.

The Hongkong Rifle League table to date is as follows:

	Matches	Won	Lost
H. K. Defence Corps	3	3	-
H. M. S. "Hawkins"	2	2	-
H. M. S. "Tamar"	6	5	1
Dockyard R. C.	3	2	1
H. M. S. "Cairo"	3	2	1
Royal Engineers	5	2	3
H. M. S. "Ambrose"	7	2	5
H. M. S. "Merton"	3	3	-
H. K. Police	4	4	-
H. M. S. "Titanic"	-	-	-

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

ANNUAL RACES.

Shanghai, Feb. 7.

Shanghai jockeys and owners will sail on Saturday and Wednesday to Hongkong for the annual races. Mr. Frank Vida and Mr. C. R. Burkhill will ride for Sir Paul Chater and Mr. "Billy" Hill will ride for Messrs. Potts and Hayman. Other Shanghai riders are Messrs. Gussie White, Eric Moller, Jack Bould, Knoll and M. O. Springfield.

Government Thanks Americans.

Below is a copy of a letter which the American Consul General has received from the Colonial Secretary:

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong,

7th February, 1922.

Sir,
His Excellency the Governor desires me to express to you and, through you, to the American community of Hongkong, the Government's warm appreciation of the valuable assistance which is being rendered to it by the American citizens who have enrolled themselves as special constables in the present emergency caused by the seamen's strike.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Sd.) CLAUD SEVERIN,

Colonial Secretary.

Another Man Jailed.

Sentence of three months' hard labour without the option of a fine was to-day inflicted by the Magistrate (Mr. R. E. Lindsell) in the case in which a Chinese was yesterday charged with disorderly conduct in the Central Market on Sunday.

The charge had been amended from one of intimidation, it being alleged that the defendant made an attempt to coerce the market been felt. In view of present

difficulty in the situation and having received instructions and opinions from numerous quarters, this Federation has used its influence to mediate and on this account it dispatched its representatives to Canton on the 4th to approach the seamen in the hope of an early settlement. They state that as the Seamen's Union has been closed, it is difficult to summon them together. Being convinced of their difficulty, this Federation begs to present to you the state of affairs and request you to take into consideration the grievances of the workmen and have the Seamen's Union reinstated to its original state in order that they may have a place to summon the seamen together and come to some definite terms. Should this be granted, this Federation agrees to act as mediator, in order to meet your wish to have the people as babies. This is the humble petition of the petitioners.

Considering that practically all the seamen are in Canton and that it is not at all difficult to summon them together a petition of this nature might as well never have been brought. It is a palpable quibble.

So far nothing has been received from the eight boarding-house keepers who left for Canton on Monday afternoon.

Other Items.

The loss to Chinese trade as a consequence of the strike has been estimated by the compradores of a foreign bank, which does a great deal of Chinese business, as amounting to between five and six million dollars up to date.

The Toyo Kisen Kaisha advise that the Tenyo Maru will sail promptly at noon on Saturday, the 11th instant, for Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco. The crew of the Tenyo Maru being practically all Japanese, her sailing will not be affected by the Chinese seamen's strike.

Exports Prohibited.

An Order has been made by the Governor-in-Council prohibiting the exportation of coal, rice and flour from Hongkong to any destination. Permission to export may, however, be given in suitable cases.

"More Guilds" Proclaimed.

A Government Gazette Extraordinary issued this afternoon declares the following societies to be unlawful:—The Chap Yin Kung Wu, the Lo Tung Tung Tak Kung Wu, and the Li Fo Yuen Kung Wu.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Tenders are being called for Headquarters Offices.—Page 4.

The next tournament of the Hongkong Boxing Association takes place at the City Hall on February 25th.—Page 4.

Consignees of cargo by the Fusimi Maru are given the customary notice on Page 4.

The Warwick Comedy Company announce an extension of their season here.—Page 4.

At the Coronet Theatre to-night is being shown "Battling Jane", whilst at Kowloon Rex Beach's drama "The Silver Horde" is the principal film on the bill.—Page 12.

Charlie Chaplin in "The Vagabond" is the current attraction at the Hongkong Theatre.—Page 12.

The merits of a Thornycroft truck are told in a special full-page ad.—Page 8.

The ad. Van Overstraten has arrived and consignees are given the usual notice on page 4.

The O.S.K. advise consignees of cargo for Hongkong in being carried on to Singapore.—Page 4.

Fire fighting apparatus of all descriptions by Merryweather's is advertised by Jardine, Matheson & Co.—Page 2.

To-Day's Exchange.

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LESSONS IN CHINESE.

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He has a good knowledge of the English language and is well versed in grammar.

Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write to "Hong Kong Telegraph Office" or to No. 9, Queen's Road, Central, Hong Kong.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Washington, Feb. 6.
President Harding said that faith plighted that day and kept in national honour would mark the beginning of a new and better epoch in human progress.

There was frequent applause as when the President said that whilst the settlement of Far Eastern questions was not of direct import to the United States they rejoiced with the world that an understanding had been reached. He did not believe that the naval holiday would expire with the treaties. In consequence of the growth of public opinion against warfare he suggested that the Conference might point the way to similar conferences.

The sitting and Conference closed with the Benediction pronounced by the President's Chaplin.

Mr. Balfour and the other British delegates subsequently left for home and were seen off by Secretary Hughes and other officials.

CHIN'S CORDIAL THANKS.

London, Feb. 6.
Instructed from Peking the Chinese Charge d'Affaires called at Foreign Office to convey the most cordial thanks for the British Government's "great friendliness in agreeing at Washington to the return of Weihsien, also for the valuable assistance the British delegation had rendered to the Chinese delegation in the Shantung settlement."

PENANG CHINESE SENTENCED.

London, Feb. 7.
The Judicial Committee of the House of Lords has dismissed the petition of a Chinaman, Lim Ho-seng of Penang, for special leave to appeal from a death sentence on the ground of inadmissibility of a confession, which he later retracted. Their Lordships agreed with the criticism by the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements in connection with the case.

NEW POPE'S WELCOME.

Rome, Feb. 6.
The crowd on the Piazza greeted the new Pontiff with frenzied cheers. His Holiness subsequently gave a second blessing and then withdrew.

STATE CORONATION FIXED FOR SUNDAY.

Rome, Feb. 7.
The Pope has renewed the appointment of Cardinal Gasparri as Papal Secretary. The State coronation is fixed for February 12th.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

Paris, Feb. 6.
The Senate in Finance Committee began the examination of the Bill relative to the Banque Industrielle de Chine and unanimously decided, after hearing the reporter, M. Jeanneney, to hear M. Poincaré before making a decision.

REPUBLIC FOR SOUTH AFRICA?

Johannesburg, Feb. 6.
A meeting of three thousand strikers demanded a Republic.

UNION CHURCH.

The Annual Report.

The report to the seatholders of Union Church for the year 1921 states—

Financial: The General Account shows a balance of \$30,000 over the year's expenses. The income from Rent is about \$200 dollars less than last year, but it is estimated that \$200 arrears outstanding are recoverable. Weekly offerings show a decrease of \$100 and the Committee wishes to urge all friends to maintain their gifts so that we shall not lose in this direction. The cost of supplying new Hymnals to the Church has been met by a welcome contribution from the Sale of Work.

Three Quarter Century Fund: In accordance with the arrangement made when this fund was established the receipts are being accumulated against future expenses in connection with pastorate furloughs or changes.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS



COMPANY REPORT.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

The one hundred and sixth report of the Court of Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation to the ordinary yearly general meeting of shareholders to be held at the City Hall, on Saturday 18th February states:

The Directors have now to submit to you a General Statement of the affairs of the Bank, and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1921.

In terms of the resolution passed by the Shareholders at an extraordinary meeting held on the 28th May, the capital of the Bank was increased to \$20,000,000 by the issue of 40,000 shares of \$125 at \$70 per share. Of the resulting premium \$2,000,000 has been transferred to Sterling Reserve, which now stands at \$4,500,000, and \$20,281.71 to Silver Reserve.

The net profits for the year, including \$2,291,491.60, balance brought forward from last account, after paying all charges, deducting interest paid and due, and making provision for bad and doubtful accounts and contingencies, amount to \$14,112,787.11.

The Directors recommend the transfer of \$1,580,718.29 from the Profit and Loss Account to credit of the Silver Reserve which, including the above-mentioned amount of \$30,281.71, will then stand at \$23,500,000.

They also recommend writing off Bank Premises Account the sum of \$1,000,000.

After making these transfers, deducting the Interim Dividend of \$3 per share, paid on 8th August last, viz.—\$360,000 at 27—\$2,787,096.70, and remuneration to Directors, there remains for appropriation \$8,905,972.09, out of which the Directors recommend the payment of a Final Dividend on the Old Shares of Three Pounds Sterling per Share, and a Bonus on the Old Shares of Two Pounds Sterling per Share; also a Dividend and a Bonus on the New Shares at corresponding rates, viz., 12½ and 15½, amounting in all to \$720,000 which, at 27 the rate of the day, will absorb \$3,574,193.50.

The Balance \$3,331,778.59 to be carried to New Profit and Loss Account.

It has not been necessary to make any provision for depreciation of the Sterling and other Gold securities, which now stand at well under the current market value.

The Sterling equivalents of the various accounts are shown at 27, the rate ruling on the last day of the year.

Directors: Mr. G. M. Dodwell

has been elected Chairman for the year 1922, and the Honourable

Mr. A. O. Lanz Deputy Chairman.

The Honourable Mr. John Johnstone and Mr. A. H. Compton having resigned their seats on leaving the Colony, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard

and Mr. H. P. White were invited

to fill the vacancies. These ap-

pointments require confirmation at

this "Meeting". The Honourable

Mr. A. O. Lanz, Mr. G. T. M.

Edkins and Mr. A. S. Gubay

retire in rotation, but being

eligible for re-election, offer them-

selves accordingly.

Auditors: The Accounts have

been audited by Mr. F. Maitland

and Mr. E. A. M. Williams, who

offer themselves for re-election.

G. T. M. EDKINS,

Chairman.

A LITTLE LATIN.

That Latin should be a normal subject in all schools providing secondary education was suggested at the general meeting of the Classical Association held at the City of London School on January 5, 6 and 7.

It Was Getting a Trifle Warm.



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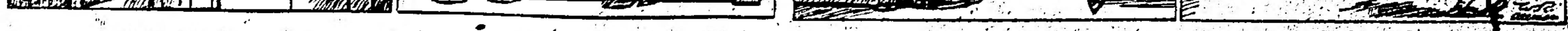
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deal of chamber music and piano music. He has also been a fairly voluminous literary worker, and his recollections as given in his "Ecole Buissonniere—Notes et Souvenirs," are extremely interesting. He has frequently engaged in newspaper controversy, notably during the war, when his objections to the performances in France of German music were violently expressed. He has often visited England, appearing in London and at various provincial festivals. The honorary degree of D. Mus. was conferred on him by Cambridge in 1892 and Oxford in 1910.

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GENERAL NEWS.

"BOSS" CROKER.

Mr. Richard Croker, the former head of Tammany, who has been seriously ill at Glencairn Castle, Dublin, is much better.

SCOTS DRAW THEIR SAVINGS.

Trade depression in Glasgow is reflected in the fact that although deposits in the local savings bank during the year totalled over £7,000,000, the withdrawals exceeded that amount by £400,000. Depositors still hold £15,250,000 in special investments.

£500 IN FINES FOR SMUGGLING.

Fines amounting to £2,500 have been imposed during the past three months at Dover on persons trying to smuggle goods, says the *Daily Chronicle*.

"SCRAPPING RING"
FEARED BY U.S. NAVY.

Breaking Up of War Craft.

A novel form of combination, more or less in restraint of trade, threatens the Government, writes Mr. H. P. Stokes, Washington correspondent of the *New York Evening Post*, undated January 3, in carrying into effect the agreements at the Conference on the Limitation of Armament—a "scrapping ring." Under the Hughes programme, 820,000 tons of capital ships, built and building, are to be scrapped. There are very few firms that can tackle a job like that. High ranking officers of the navy, it was learned to-day, fear the formation of a ring among these firms to buy these ships at a figure so low that the Government will get very much the worst of the bargain.

At best the United States will receive a comparatively small amount for the battleships and cruisers which will be torn to pieces. The Navy Department officials say, will consider itself fortunate if it receives more than \$1,000,000 for the completed ships. Payments made for ships in the course of construction, they add, will be equalled by the cost of cutting them up.

The work of dismantling the ships on the ways probably will be given to the concerns which were constructing them. The minimum estimate of the payments the Government will be compelled to make for cancelling contracts is \$50,000,000. This estimate is made by a high ranking naval official who will have much to say about the dismantling of the ships. Other estimates run as high as \$100,000,000.

Naval officials who completed an investigation of the scrap steel markets at home and abroad last Saturday found that scrap steel on our Atlantic coast was selling for \$7 and \$8 a ton, compared with 2 to 4 pounds sterling a ton in England, or, at the present rate of exchange, \$8 to \$16. Some 210,000 tons of condemned warships were sold by this Government recently at an average rate of \$10 a ton, but naval officials say they cannot hope to get this high figure for the warships which come under the ban of the arms conference.

Scrap steel comprises the major portion of the material for which the Government will be paid when the battleships and cruisers are dismantled. There are other materials however, such as copper, electrical equipment, cables, and brass, which will bring considerably more than scrap steel will. Nevertheless, the total amount realized by the Government will be only a fraction of the cost of cancelling contracts, even if some of the incomplete cruisers are sold with the understanding that they will be converted into transatlantic liners for which they can be easily adapted.

The original Hughes proposal called for the scrapping of American ships built and building totaling \$45,740. Changes by the conference resulting in the substitution of two warships, have reduced the total to 820,000 tons. The actual tonnage to be scrapped, however, will be only a part of the total for the battleships in the course of construction which are to be dismantled, ranging from 4 per cent completed on the ways for the battleship Massachusetts to 29.5 per cent completed for the battleship South Dakota. The battle cruisers building and to be reduced to junk range from 1.3 to 23.6 per cent completed on the ways.

The conference still is to decide when the scrapping of the ships shall begin. This question probably will be decided within the next two or three days. The proposal as originally made by Secretary Hughes was that "it should be agreed by the United States, Great Britain, and Japan that their navies, with respect to capitalships, within three months after the making of the agreement shall consist of certain ships designated in the proposal and number for the United States eighteen, for Great Britain twenty-two, for Japan ten." American naval officials believe that work on the doomed ships under construction will end either with the signing and sealing of the treaty by the conference, or with the ratification of the treaty by the United States Senate, and that all the ships to be scrapped will be withdrawn from service within three months after the treaty is signed.

MARBLE BORDER ON PAVEMENT. Glasgow Corporation has refused to allow a firm to put a marble border on the pavement in front of their premises.

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A Plea for Nelson's Flagship.

Few people, perhaps, realize what an ancient relic of our fighting fleet the old *Victory* is. To everyone she is known, of course, as Nelson's flagship at Trafalgar. But that was almost her last sea-going commission, the very last being about eight years later, when my grandfather, Admiral Sir Joseph Yorke, had his flag in her in the North Sea, commanding the fleet which was operating on the Dutch coast. After he hauled down his flag she was moored in Portsmouth Harbour, and there she has remained ever since, for a long while just as a show-ship, a reminder of Nelson and all for which he stood, but, for the last twenty years or so, the flagship of the Port Admiral, writes the Hon. Gerard Fiennes.

The order for her construction was given in 1758, the year of Nelson's birth, and twenty years later she was flagship of Admiral Keppel in the years of disaster which attended the War of American Independence. His flag was hauled down when he was court-martialled after his indecisive fight off Ushant in 1759, and triumphantly rehoisted on his acquittal. But the *Victory*'s inglorious days were not yet ended; for she was flagship of Admiral Sir Charles Hardy when the Channel Fleet was chased into harbour and a "64" sunk by the enemy almost within sight of Plymouth Hoe.

The *Victory* again carried an Admiral's flag without much distinction when Lord Hood com-

manded the British squadron off Brest in 1794, but thereafter she

justified her name, carrying Sir John Jervis's flag at St. Vincent and Nelson's at Trafalgar.

After an existence afloat of 160 years, it is probable that little, if any, part of the old *Victory* remains; but a ship no more loses her individuality with the renewal of her timbers than does a man, every particle of whose body is said to be renewed every seven years. She is Hood's, Jervis's, and Nelson's *Victory* still, and if we are prepared to let her disappear to be reduced to a position of ignominy, for the sake of the money required to keep her in trim, badly strained as our resources are, then the nation has lost its soul.

She cost £67,000 to build; it is not impossible that the cost of repairing her so that she may continue her duties as flagship would be as great. What of that? Who will say, with the arch-traitor, "To what purpose is this waste?" Nelson's words as he lay dying in his cockpit amid the thunder of her guns and the cheers of her sailors, "Oh, Victory, Victory! How you rack my poor brains! Thank God, I have done my duty," still echo through her and are heard by every child who is taken on board her to see the spot where the "embodiment of British sea-power," as Mahan called him, "yielded up his spirit."

The morrow of another great deliverance is, surely, the last moment which should be chosen to part with so precious a memorial of the past.

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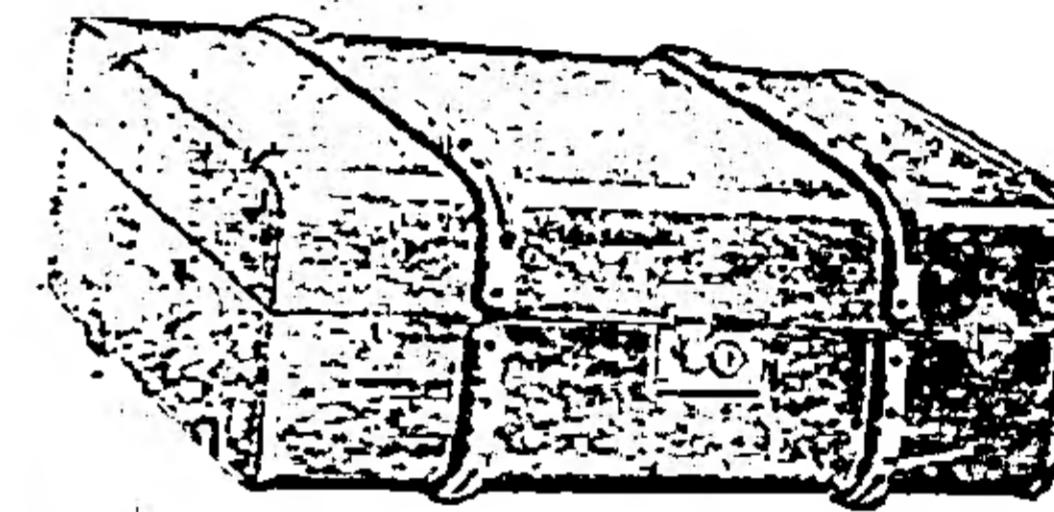
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REPARATIONS.

Analysis by Professor Keynes.

Prof. Maynard Keynes, author of "The Economic Consequences of the Peace," and some other works which stirred political life during the past two or three years, contributes to the *Sunday Times* a searching analysis of the financial position of Germany with regard to reparations, and the proposal to allow Germany a two-year moratorium period, after which the existing demands of the Allies would revive. With regard to the latter he agrees with Sir John Bradbury that it is a bad plan. France, he says, would receive nothing whatever during the period in which she needs help most; while uncertainty about what would happen at the end of the two years would render it difficult for Germany to put her finances in order meanwhile.

The time has arrived when we must drop make-believe, urges Germany's finances will not be paid until their demands have been fixed at a sum within her capacities, which it is worth her while to work and scheme to pay.

The two-year moratorium sounds like the proposal of someone who is more anxious to save his face than to get out of Germany the sum, moderate, but well worth having, which she can in fact pay. We must not postpone a final settlement for two years more, however great the temptation to all concerned to put it off until someone else is in office.

Mr. Keynes thinks that a brief moratorium would be of advantage not so much to give Germany time to pay, but to give ourselves time to think. The Government's policy is "nonsensical froth. What ought they to do?" They ought to tell Germany that on Jan. 15 she must pay half the present demand—that is, 250,000,000 gold marks, and the balance, namely, a further 250,000,000 gold marks, on March 15; and that the payments due for Feb. 15 and April 15 will be held in suspense pending yet one more conference.

If this could be arranged such remission should be at the expense of British claims against Germany, and not at the expense of her Allies. And, further, if thereby we could secure from France an unaggressive compliance with our proposal we ought to be prepared to satisfy the Wiesbaden agreement even without the qualifications which Sir John Bradbury has very properly recommended as necessary to preserve the rights of the Allies other than France.

arranged as a pendant to the Washington Conference and with American representation, so much the better. But if America does not care to participate, we must do our best without her.

GERMANY'S CAPACITY TO PAY. "About Germany's immediate capacity to pay, I hold now the same views that I published last August. I believe that if we choose to clear her out completely she can pay the January instalment from her reserves of foreign currency accumulated for purposes of future trade; and perhaps the February instalment too; but that, failing a foreign loan, she cannot pay these sums without a crisis, and that if she pays them she cannot pay also the instalment of April."

We are holding in suspense at the moment a sum of 450,000,000 gold marks out of what Germany paid in August last under the financial agreement which France has so far refused to ratify.

Our Chancellor of the Exchequer needs the money, and it is considered that France is not behaving too well in withholding it. Mr. Keynes, however, considers that we should act wisely in conceding something not to French rights, but to French difficulties.

I suggest therefore, he continues "that half of the sum due from Germany on January 15, of which I advise the postponement, should be made good to France and Belgium by our returning, for division between them, an equivalent amount out of the sums held in suspense as explained above; and, further, that we should undertake that, in the event of the instalments of February 15 and April 15 being remitted such remission should be at the expense of British claims against Germany, and not at the expense of her Allies. And, further, if thereby we could secure from France an unaggressive compliance with our proposal we ought to be prepared to satisfy the Wiesbaden agreement even without the qualifications which Sir John Bradbury has very properly recommended as necessary to preserve the rights of the Allies other than France."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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WANTED.—Office, about 400 square feet floor space, for British firm.—Reply immediately to Box No. 662 c/o "Hongkong Telegraph" office.

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FOR SALE.—Pianoforte Overstrung Upright Iron Grand. In good order. Price \$200.—Apply to Box 639 c/o "Hongkong Telegraph."

FOR HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Notice is given that Haiphong and Hoihow every alternate Tuesday. The following passenger steamer HAI-MUN. (Capt. Charles E. Page). Name, 10th January, 1922. Leaving Haiphong. Name, 23rd January, 1922. Leaving Haiphong. Name, 10th February, 1922. Leaving Haiphong. Name, 23rd February, 1922. Leaving Haiphong. Apply to the Capt. and Mates of HAI-MUN, 114, Wing Lok Street.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong per s.s. "Shirazu Maru" are hereby notified that owing to the strike of Cargo and Wharf Coolies cargo for Hongkong will be carried on to Singapore and landed at that port. Consignees are therefore recommended to make the necessary arrangements respecting insurance, etc., accordingly.

The cargo will be returned to Hongkong immediately conditions at this port become settled. OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA. Y. YASUDA. Manager. Hongkong, 7th. Feb., 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

From PUGET SOUND via JAPAN, SHANGHAI & MANILA. S.S. "FUSHIMI MARU."

Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s (Ltd.) Godowns at their risk.

Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered on and after February 14th.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will also be landed into the Kowloon Godowns, and date of examination will be advised later.

No claim will be recognised after the goods have left the Godowns, and none will be entertained if presented later than 10 days from February 7th, 1922.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Agents. Hongkong, 7th. Feb., 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

KONINKLIJKE PAKETVAART MAATSCHAPPIJ.

From BELAWAN DELI, PENANG & SINGAPORE. The Steamship "VAN OVERSTRATEN"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 13th, Feb., 1922, will be subject to rent.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Agents.

Hongkong, 8th Feb., 1922.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

Next Tournament SATURDAY February 25th, at The Theatre Royal—9:15 p.m.

Novices Tournament FRIDAY March 31st, and SATURDAY April 1st, at the Theatre Royal. Further particulars will be published later.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

Sealed tenders will be received at the Headquarters Offices, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong, until 12 o'clock noon, on the dates stated, for the undermentioned services for a period of twelve months from 1st April, 1922—

Forage and Indian Supplies—

15th February.

Fuel and Hospital Supplies—

15th February.

Meat and Supplies "A"—

15th February.

General Supplies "B"—

23rd February.

Barrack Services—

24th Feb.

Transport Services—

28th Feb.

Tender Forms and any necessary information may be obtained at the above office between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily.

Tenders will not be entertained unless accompanied by a deposit of \$100 as a guarantee of good faith.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED.

Proposed New Issue of Shares to Members on the Register on 17th. February, 1922.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 18th. to 25th. February, 1922 both days inclusive.

DATED the 7th. February, 1922.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD, H. N. BEAUREPAIRE, Secretary.

NOTICE.

Mr. C. Honkey having resigned ceases to sign on behalf of this Company from date.

THE UNION TRADING CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 1st. Feb., 1922.

THE DAIRY, FARM, ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 22nd of Feb., to Tuesday, the 28th. February, 1922, both days inclusive, during with period no transfers of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, M. MANUK, Secretary.

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NOTICE.

WE HEREBY NOTIFY that Mr. Ernest W. Blackmore, M.Sc., Civil Engineer, has taken over the management of the Hongkong branch of our firm, will sign pro forma, from date, and will be seconded by Mr. Ugo Gonella.

ESTABLISSEMENTS BROSSARD MOPIN, Architects and Civil Engineers, Hongkong.

BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY held under the auspices of THE VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

Entries for the above Championship Close to the Hon. Secretary, on Friday, Feb. 17th. Entrance Fee \$2.00 to accompany entry.

All competitors are invited to attend at the Club on the evening of the 17th, to arrange conditions and draw for the various rounds.

R. C. WITCHELL, Hon. Secretary.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Seventeenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Company Limited on Thursday the 16th. February 1922 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December 1921.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 6th to 16th February 1922 both dates inclusive.

DOWELL & CO. LTD.

General Managers.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS

in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Buildings, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 16th. day of February, 1922, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Account and Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1921, and declaring a dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Monday, the 6th. February, 1922, until Thursday, the 16th. February, 1922, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

General Managers.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Transfer Books of the above Company will be closed from 28th. January, to 7th Feb., 1922, both days inclusive.

Dated this 16th. day of January, 1922.

By Order of the Board,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

LIMITED.

Agents.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the THIRTY THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's offices

Victoria Buildings on Friday 10th

February 1922 at 12 o'clock noon

for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1921.

The undersigned are prepared to quote prices for best quality freshly mined SILIMPON COAL, trimmed into Bunkers at SEBATTIK or SANDAKAN (British North Borneo) or to contract for regular Bunker Supplies for 6 or 12 months at favourable rates.

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RACE WEEK.

A FANCY DRESS BALL

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CITY HALL

Tickets 5s. Booking at McTittle's. St. fine for non-Fancy Dress will be collected at the door. 2 Lucky Number Prizes for those in Fancy Dress.

THE WARWICK COMPANY.

"The Double Event."

A three-act comedy. "The Double Event" was the piece presented by the Warwick Company at the Theatre Royal last night. The play is well known to Hongkong theatre-goers, as it has been staged in the Colony before. The piece is one laugh all the way through and all the members of the cast interpreted their parts well and made the most of the humorous dialogue and the funny situations.

Mr. N. Thorpe-Mayne, as "John Denison," played his part to perfection and Mr. Dudley Howarth, in the role of "Charlie Swizell," carried out his part with his accustomed naturalness and ease of manner. The character of "Uncle James" was portrayed by Mr. Charles Bradley, who succeeded in getting every ounce out of the part and kept the "house" laughing all the time he was on the stage. Mr. Tom Fenwick, who is always good in the role of a cleric, was as funny as ever as "the Rev. Hubert Swizell" and the racy character of "Freddy Bork" was admirably portrayed by Mr. Edgar Warwick. Miss Lena Flowerdew, as the prima "Laura Bennington," acted the part to the very life and Miss Joan Mayne filled the role of "Mary Swizell" with her accustomed charm

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1922.

VALIDITY OF CONFERENCE DECISIONS.

We notice from American papers to hand that some measure of apprehension has arisen in the United States on the point of the validity of the Washington Conference decisions (or of any similar conference resolutions, for that matter) in relation to international law. Putting aside the question as to whether there can be legislation by majority decision where sovereign states are concerned, it has been pointed out that even a unanimous decision by an international conference does not bind Governments which are not represented in conference. In connection with the Root proposals for prohibiting the employment of submarines against merchantmen, Mr. Root himself has declared that a new rule in international law must obtain universal assent in order to become valid.

The assumption from this statement is that the progress of the nations in the development of a fuller and higher international law must be measured, like the movements of a fleet, by the speed of the slowest vessel. If that is the case, the outlook for world improvement through international law is, as one paper puts it, not very promising. But there is another possibility, and it was brought forward at the Washington Conference by Mr. Balfour in a few brief sentences which nevertheless contain the promise of a solution, not only for present difficulties but for the general difficulties involved in the conference method and in the development of international law. As against unanimity of action Mr. Balfour emphasized the question of leadership in action. Why, asked Mr. Balfour, in this matter of outlawing the submarine as a commerce destroyer, should the world wait for unanimity? Why could not the five Powers represented at Washington subscribe to the rule and see what the rest of the world would do? "Nothing," said Mr. Balfour, "could be better as an example than that the five states, instead of merely adopting a resolution which would be inoperative till generally adopted, should adopt immediately the principles which they desired eventually to see embodied in international law."

A ban on the submarine as a commerce destroyer would, in theory, have no validity for Spain, or Germany, or Russia, or any other nation not present at Washington. But in practice such action taken by the five leading Powers, who are bound for a generation to remain the five leading Powers, would go very far to establish a new principle in international law. In this connection it is well to recall that the original proposal for armament limitation on the sea contemplated a meeting of only three Powers, the United States, Great Britain, and Japan. Yet because these three Powers were the naval leaders, it was assumed, and correctly, that it was in their hands largely to shape the future naval policies of all the nations, by prestige and by example. The *New York Evening Post* sums the whole matter up by saying that a conference cannot legislate international law for everybody, but it can create a body of practice which will become international law. A conference cannot impose its majority will upon a recalcitrant member, but a majority can establish for itself a course of conduct which is bound to exercise a powerful moral pressure upon a minority.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

The New Pope.

In ascending the Papal Throne as Pius XI, Cardinal Ratti presented the remarkable spectacle of the junior Cardinal being elected for the second time in succession. The new Pontiff's predecessor received his Cardinal's hat less than six months before being called to the Vatican. Pius XI furnishes another example of the scholarly priest, as might be expected in the case of an ex-Prefect of the Vatican Library. Perhaps the new Pope, also like his predecessor, was a compromise selection, as there were seven pollings before the white-smoke signal appeared. His career prompts yet another parallel: that he will prove himself a worthy occupant of the Throne of St. Peter. The action of Pius XI, in bestowing the Blessing from the balcony of St. Peter's instead of within the Basilica, won the hearts of the Italiots, who naturally interpreted it as a sign that the new Pope intends to pursue the policy of conciliation with the Quirinal which Benedict XV. had only time to begin. The communiqué issued by the Secretary of the Conclave has a somewhat ambiguous sound in this respect. A definite token will probably appear before long. Meanwhile, it may be noted that Pius XI, is believed to share the views of the Papal Secretary of State in favour of conciliation. Apart from all questions of policy, the communiqué is memorable for its catholicity in its address to "all nations and all peoples."

Extent of the Extra Cost.

A correspondent writes to the *North China Daily News* questioning the figures given by that journal in reference to the additional running costs which the shipowners would incur if they granted the seamen's demands.

The disparity between the thousands of dollars per month per ship as stated by our Shanghai contemporary and the figures given by its correspondent is enormous. The latter forwards a tabulated list of the wages paid to the Chinese crew of "a vessel under the control of one of the local premier companies, which may be accepted as a fair determinable basis, as the steamer in question is fully staffed, and is on the Shanghai-Hongkong service." The total extra cost per month as shown in this tabulated list amounts to no more than \$353, which makes it appear that the actual burden the demands would impose upon the shipowners is but a fraction of the figures quoted. It is to be noted, however, that the vessel in question is only of a size calling for half a dozen hands in the stockhold besides the No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3 firemen. The correspondent states that the vessel mentioned is a fair specimen, but, if we assume that to be the case, it is typical only of a coastal vessel, as the correspondent himself indicates. Some of the vessels that have been laying in the harbour here have a complement of about forty firemen. This means a very substantial multiplication of the correspondent's figures, and also lends points to the owners' contention regarding the very varying conditions in the shipping service.

Gandhi's Latest.

A Bombay message notifies that Gandhi has written to the Viceroy offering to postpone civil disobedience until the whole situation is reviewed "if within seven days the Viceroy revises his policy, liberates all political prisoners, and restores freedom of association to the Press." This is very like dictating to India's head, and is an inversion of the order of things. It is for the Non-Co-operation leader to enjoin a cessation of secession activities, which, if we mistake not, is Lord Reading's condition precedent to a conference. The steps taken by Gandhi during recent months savour of a breach of faith in respect of the accommodation arrived at between the Viceroy and the Non-Co-operation leaders, the latter of whom agreed to refrain from violence. Of course, Gandhi himself has taken no part in forcible proceedings, but he has pursued a line of conduct which has incited his followers to frequent acts of violence and intimidation. If he is confident of the justice of his cause, why does he not allow pure propaganda to work its way? The methods he has adopted may reasonably be interpreted as a confession that he has not a majority of the nation behind him, and consequently sees nothing for it but to stampede

DAY BY DAY.

THE WHOLE FORCE OF PUBLIC OPINION IN AMERICA IS DIRECTED TO TEACHING ITS PEOPLE HOW TO PUSH.—Sam Gompers.

Yesterday's health return shows two cases of spotted fever (non-fatal) and one fatal occurrence of small-pox. All were Chinese.

Found on the Praya in a sick and destitute condition, a European named A. Holse was removed by the police to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday.

Cardinal Achille Ratti, Archbishop of Milan, having been elected Pope Pius XI, a solemn thanksgiving service is to be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to-morrow at 5.30 p.m.

The Hongkong Boxing Association are holding a novices' tournament (no entrance fee) at the Theatre Royal on March 31st and April 1st. The next boxing tournament takes place at the Theatre Royal on Feb. 25th.

Injuries which fortunately were not serious were received by a Chinese who attempted to descend from a tramcar whilst it was in motion yesterday. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital and discharged as soon as he had been attended to by the surgeon.

In the case in which a Chinese was charged with stealing a bangle from a dead woman at St. Paul's Hospital, the defendant was sentenced this morning to six months' hard labour. The Magistrate (Mr. J. R. Wood) described the offence as a "very mean" act.

When the Lake Fielding was being unloaded alongside the Kowloon wharf yesterday, a coolie sustained injuries through being knocked down by a beam which with others was being taken off the hatch. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

After achieving notable success at the Coronet Theatre, Rex Beach's great Alaska feature film, "The Silver Horde," will be screened at the Kowloon Theatre this evening. Apart from the wonderful story and magnificent scenery, this picture is especially interesting for the scenes it shows of the great salmon canning industry.

We have received from the Pacific Mail Steamship Company an extremely well produced brochure entitled "Facts about the Port of San Francisco". It is splendidly illustrated and contains much information of general interest to the shipper and businessman, together with maps and statistical information relative to San Francisco's foreign trade.

Fatal injuries were received when a Chinese worker of the Kowloon Docks who slipped and fell into the hold of the Kumsang which was being over-hauled in the yards yesterday. The deck was newly painted, and in walking along the unfortunate man slipped and losing his balance fell into the hold. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital but subsequently succumbed to his injuries.

SHANGHAI SPORT.

Varsity Athletes Arrive.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, February 8. Thirty-five athletes from Chiaotung University have arrived in Shanghai for a series of games of football, basket-ball and volleyball with local teams. Their coach is Mr. C. S. Hirsh.

JAPANESE IN TIENSIN.

According to an official report, the Japanese population in Tientsin totalled at the end of last year, 5,034, consisting of 2,635 men and 2,399 women. The figure when compared with the total at the end of the previous month, showed an increase of 283.

the country into revolt. His penance of a few weeks ago, when he went into sackcloth and ashes on account of his followers' violence, bears the appearance of crocodile tears in the face of his subsequent actions, which inevitably stir up hostility towards the Government.

DEATH OF SIR HENRY MAY.

Former Governor Of Hongkong.

SKETCH OF A FINE CAREER.

The unexpected news, announced by a Rauter's cable, of the death at home of Sir Henry May, G.C.M.G., a former Governor of Hongkong, has been received in the Colony with feelings of general regret and of the deepest sympathy for Lady May and family. Commencing his official career in Hongkong as a cadet, the late Sir Henry May eventually rose to the Governorship of the Colony, in the public service of which he spent close on 40 years, proving himself a most conscientious servant, an administrator of marked ability and a man of the highest integrity. When in 1912 he returned to the Colony after a brief period in Fiji, to assume the Governorship of Hongkong, the European community, in an address of welcome, spoke of him as "a fearless official—fearless in the discharge of duty—one who never courted favour and who therefore won respect—an upright public servant—a strong man." To those acquainted with his official life here that verdict will always stand as a just

the widespread corruption that existed in the police force which he was commanding at the time. This work was truly a great one and for two years he was busily engaged in purging the force of dishonest members and in reorganizing the Criminal Investigation Department, which he kept under his own control. Two years later he was engaged in organizing the Police Force in the New Territory and in quelling the lawlessness which was very rife just after that newly-acquired area had been taken over by the British. As Superintendent of the Victoria Gaol, a post which he held in conjunction with that of Captain Superintendent of the Police and Fire Brigades, he placed the whole of the prison system, on a separate basis, and while increasing the deterrent effect of the imprisonment he greatly increased the means of affording industrial development by causing such work as printing, etc., for the Government offices to be carried out by the prisoners.

It was in 1902 that Sir Henry (then Mr.) May received the appointment of Colonial Secretary, but he had considerable experience in that office before, extending as far back as 1887, when he was acting Assistant Colonial Secretary, a post in which he was confirmed four years later. From 1895 he held a seat on the Legislative Council, until his departure for Fiji in 1910 and later, by virtue of his office as Colonial Secretary, he occupied a

MAJOR CASSEL'S CAR.

Judgment for United Motor Co.

Judgment was given against Major Cassel by Mr. Justice Gomperts, in the Summary Court this morning, in the case in which Major Cassel claimed from the United Motor Co., Ltd., the sum of \$365.20 for alleged damage done to his Napier car.

His Lordship said: The plaintiff on the counterclaim asks for compensation for damage done to his car by the unskillful workmanship of the defendants. In order to succeed, plaintiff must of course establish with reasonable certainty that the defendants actually did the specific damage complained of. There is conflicting evidence on some points, as usually happens when an action comes for trial after a delay of several months. But these conflicts are not perhaps very material. It is common ground that there had been trouble of various kinds with the car before it was put in the defendant's care and it has been through several hands before it reached them.

The plaintiff proves that after the defendant had been working on the car for some little time it was in a damaged condition. The defendant's reply is that, as to some portion of the damage, it had already been done when the car was handed over to them, and as to the rest, that they are not responsible, as they had not in fact touched those parts of the car at all.

The evidence was lengthy and in places highly technical and, with the consent of both sides, I have been favoured with the advice of the Hon. Mr. Messer, President of the Automobile Association, on technical points.

The essential weakness of the claim is that there is no very substantial evidence of the state of the car when it was handed over to the defendants.

There is, of course, the chauffeur, but I was not particularly impressed with his evidence. I shall deal with one point in it later on.

There had been, as I have remarked, a certain amount of trouble with the car from the beginning.

A Mr. Weir, who was passing through the Colony, with his mechanic, Davis, had the car under observation for about a week, towards the end of April. He and Davis appear to have overhauled it and to have done a certain amount of dismantling. They also retimed the ignition. Now it would appear from the letter of the Napier Company to Major Cassel that Mr. Weir quite misunderstood the Napier system of timing. Other troubles were due to the difficulty in procuring appropriate lubricants and no doubt also the complicated mechanism of a very highly specialised engine. Further, there were complaints of the tools supplied with car.

One early fault, the slurring or jerking, was satisfactorily adjusted by Weir and Davis. There is no record of what they did to the car, but it is quite possible that they took down the carburetor and other parts. Major Cassel admits that the jerking may have been due to trouble in the carburetor, or valves or in the ignition. Mr. Lauritsen at one time suggested getting another carburetor.

Mr. Scott states that the air pressure proved too low at an early stage and that this might possibly have been due to a defect in the carburetor.

I will take the heads of damage one by one, preferring throughout to Mr. Weir as the defendant. To begin with, the carburetor. There was a dent on the engine-turned collar, which the defendant admits being responsible for under circumstances which he details. The defect, he says, could be readily made good on the fitter.

The cover of the oil cup was broken, it appears, by pure accident and he puts the cost of replacement at 20 cents.

It is plain that Major Cassel did not wish the carburetor to be touched, but I may say that I am not satisfied that this was made clear to the defendant. There is nothing here on which I can reasonably give damages against the defendant, even if this point were pressed, and I understand that it is not.

As to the petcock at the back of the petrol tank, it is admitted that the defendant reported to Major Cassel that the threads in the tank into which the cock screws were worn, that the cock leaked, and that he could not make a tight joint. The plaintiff says that he had already ordered a new three-way cock which

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THE LATE SIR HENRY MAY, G.C.M.G.

appreciation of his career. He had his detractors (all strong men) but his honesty of purpose and purity of motive were never questioned. He was, to use the words of Pope:—

Statesman, yet friend of truth,
of soul sincere;

In action faithful and in honour
clear.

Sir Henry's Career.

The late Sir Francis Henry May was the fourth son of the late Right Hon. G.A.C. May, Lord Chief Justice of Ireland, and of Olivia, daughter of Sir Mathew Barrington, Bart., of Glenstal, Co. Limerick. He was born on March 14, 1850, at Dublin. After being at Harrow, he proceeded to Trinity College, Dublin, where he took the B.A. degree and was first honourable and prizeman in Classics and Modern Languages in 1881. In the same year he was appointed, after a competitive examination, to a cadetship in Hongkong, but before coming to the East he served in the Colonial Office for twelve months. He studied the Cantonese dialect for six months and later in life wrote a guide to Cantonese. From the end of 1883 to the end of 1885 he was in Peking learning the Mandarin dialects and at the end of that time passed an examination for interpreters in the Consular Services. Upon returning to Hongkong, he was employed as Assistant Registrar General and as interpreter for the Governor at interviews with, and receptions of high Chinese officials. In 1895 he was awarded a Companionship of the Order of St. Michael and St. George in recognition of the special services which he rendered during the plague of 1894 and in suppressing the strike of 1895, which, while it lasted, paralyzed the shipping in the Harbour. Perhaps one of the greatest public services to the Colony was in bringing to light

seats on the Executive Council. It was during his Colonial Secretaryship that he administered the Government upon three occasions for eight months in 1903 and 1904 between the departure of Sir Henry Arthur Blake and the arrival of Sir Matthew Nathan; for five weeks at the close of 1906 and the beginning of 1907 during the absence of Sir Matthew Nathan on sick leave; and for three months in 1907 before the arrival of Sir Frederick Lugard.

It was in the early part of 1911 that Sir Henry May severed an unbroken period of service in Hongkong, when he was appointed Governor of Fiji and High Commissioner for the Western Pacific. His departure was deeply regretted, but when in the following year he was made Governor of the Colony in which the greater part of his life had been spent, he was warmly welcomed back to the place where he had made so many friends. On his official landing in Hongkong in July 1912, it will be recalled that an attempt was made on his life by a Chinese, but luckily he escaped injury—a circumstance for which the community generally and his many friends were devoutly thankful.

In September, 1918, Sir Henry, accompanied by Lady May, left the Colony for Canada, where their daughter, Miss Diana May, was lying dangerously ill, carrying with them the sympathy of the entire community in the anxious time through which they were passing. It was whilst absent from the Colony that news of his resignation as Governor came as a great surprise to the community in general, it being subsequently learned that it was on medical advice that this step was taken. Subsequent to his retirement, Sir Henry was given the honour of the G.C.M.G. decoration in recognition of his services to the Empire.

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A REACTIONARY POLICEMAN Constable, giving evidence at Hampstead: I told the defendant I should report him for progress.

JOYOUS YOUTH.

A Coronet Picture.

A happy example of radiant girlhood, healthy and alert, comes to delight local cinemagoers in Dorothy Gish, famous as "The Little Disturber" in "Hearts of the Wild," who plays the title role in "Battling Jane," the entertaining Aircraft feature which comes to the Coronet Theatre this evening. Pure comedy alternating with pure melodrama, the picture is based on the adventures of a young girl able to see the comical side of things even when the outlook is blackest. Herself an orphan she mothers a little wolf and makes a courageous fight for both their rights. How she succeeds makes a unique story bright with humour and intense with excitement.

Appropriate music greatly enhances the enjoyment of the picture. The Coronet Orchestra, late jazz band on the Canadian Pacific liner "Empress of Russia," is in itself an entertainment, so much so that the audience has been moved on more than one occasion to encore its numbers, particularly those introducing the jazz bells and the tuneful whistles.

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THE RACES.

Derby Candidates Discussed.

(BY "WIRELESS.")

Within a fortnight's time all the private stands at Happy Valley will be decorated for the annual Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club—the Race Days being Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 20th, 21st, and 22nd, with the "Off Day" on Saturday, February 25th.

At the moment it is very much of a question which owner will have the honour of carrying off the Blue Ribbon. Mr. G. H. Potts has had that honour for three consecutive years, Mountain King winning the Derby in 1919, Allied King in 1920, and Invincible King in 1921. It will be remembered that the last named pony broke the record for the distance by 2.5ths of a second against the time of 3.09 made in 1911 by Coronation Rose—a pony owned by the late Mr. Buxill and ridden by Mr. C. R. Barkill. Mr. Potts' candidates this year for the Derby are Cutty Sark King and Kiangsu King, but so far neither of these ponies have been stretched and it is not possible to say much about their chances. It seems, at least up to the present, that the Derby is a very open event, but some of the racing experts are of the opinion that Mr. Henry Humphreys' Flying Mouse has a good chance. His gallop yesterday morning, in which he covered the mile in 2.30.2/5 disappointed the "early

birds" but there is still time for improvement. Sun Star, together with his stable companion Shining Star, owned by Mr. H. Birckett and with Mr. Doyle up, made a surprise yesterday morning by covering the mile in 2.13, and it is obvious that this pony will henceforth be closely watched by enthusiasts. Toyshop, with Mr. D'Almada Remedios up, certainly went well over the mile gallop in 2.16.4/5, with 31 seconds for the last quarter, but I am afraid, without prejudice, that this pony did not have the full weight up. Mr. Soares' Duncan did the mile in the same time but did not finish gamely.

The absence of Mr. J. Johnstone is very much felt by all, especially by the Chinese and Portuguese, as they generally held the opinion that he could win races with cows. The "Princely Horse" has only one Derby representative by the name of Han River, but the chance is a remote one. Sir Ellis Kadoorie has four representatives, but I understand that his ponies are not eating well and, under the circumstances, cannot be expected to do good times. Mr. Nemazee has three Derby candidates and his trainer (Ab Shun) thinks the ponies will have places on the off days. New Year's Gift, owned by Mr. H.

Seth, is coming up slowly and should not be neglected. M. Mrs. Bell Irving's and Paterson's candidates for the Derby are long unused animals and I would like to know whether they are long stayers as the distance of the race is a mile and a half. Mr. Bell Irving's No. 1 Riding Boy calls the dun pony "Devil" which, in other words is "Pull Devil Pull Baker," whilst Multum in Parvo is known by the sobriquet of "Munim." The latter pony has done the best gallop of the season by covering the mile and a half in 3.33, finishing the last quarter in 33.2/5th. It should be one of the favourites.

Sir Paul has five candidates and the best gallop of these has been done by Defiance Dahlia, covering the Derby distance in 3.35.3/5, finishing the last quarter in 33.4/5. Roman Pride, owned by Mr. H. W. Sasse, is not a bad pony, but I am afraid he is not a long stayer.

Of the old ponies, Spotted Sand did the mile this morning in 2.13.3, and the last half in 1.04, finishing the last quarter in 30 secs. Empire Dahlia put up a good performance this morning, his time for the mile being 2.15.2/5. The Kings were doing slow work and Mr. Gilpin's ponies were likewise.

This morning's gallops were:

PONY'S NAME	Distance	1/4	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	1 3/4	Last
		Mile	Mile	Mile	Mile	Miles	Miles	Miles	quarter
Sandy Bay	1	40	1.18	1.54	2.243	—	—	—	30.3
Scamperdale	1	39	1.15	1.452	2.191	—	—	—	30.4
Allied King	1	37	1.12.2	1.45	—	—	—	—	32.3
Lighting	1	37.2	1.14.3	1.46.3	—	—	—	—	32
Empire Dahlia	1	34.3	1.11.1	1.46.3	2.21	2.51.2	—	—	30.2
Benz	1	36.3	1.11	1.46	2.17	—	—	—	31
Sovereign Dahlia	1	38	1.12.1	1.45.4	2.19	—	—	—	31.1
Sportsman Dahlia	1	36	1.09.2	1.42	2.13.2	—	—	—	31.2
Spotted Sand	1	33.3	1.09.3	1.43.3	2.13.3	—	—	—	30
Fighting King	1	36	1.14	1.49	2.02.2	—	—	—	31.2
Repulse Bay Chief	1	42	1.20	1.56	2.28	—	—	—	32
Tiddlywinks	1	—	1.18.2	1.57	2.28.2	—	—	—	31.2
Hongkong Chief	1	37	1.14	1.50	2.22	—	—	—	32
Hope Dahlia	1	33	1.10	1.46.4	2.21.1	2.54.4	—	—	32.3
Roman Dusk	1	48	1.21.3	2.13	2.48.2	—	—	—	35.2
Stephanotis	1	41	1.17	1.54	2.24	—	—	—	30
Cassia River & West River	1	36	1.12	1.49	2.24.4	3.01	—	—	36.1
Ajax	1	35	1.13.2	1.52	2.27	2.58	—	—	31
White Star Dahlia	1	37	1.15	1.50	2.22.3	—	—	—	32.3
Miserimus Doleful	1	37.1	1.13.1	1.47.2	2.18.2	—	—	—	31
Bullfinch	1	36.2	1.12	1.49	2.24	2.58.3	—	—	34.3
Sceptic Dahlia	1	34	1.12	1.49	2.22	—	—	—	33
Roman Sunset	1	33	1.06	1.44.2	—	—	—	—	38.2
Shekko Chief	1	—	1.39.2	—	—	—	—	—	33.2
Pawnshop	1	35.2	1.12	1.47	2.17.3	—	—	—	30.3
Sir Colin	1	36	1.14	1.50	2.20.4	—	—	—	30.4
Honesty Dahlia	1	33.2	1.08.2	1.44	2.18	2.50.1	—	—	32.1
Gabriel Junks and Kinska	1	37	1.14	1.50	2.23	2.57	—	—	34
Cutty Sark King	1	44	1.23	1.59.4	2.34	—	—	—	34.1
Ameer	1	40	1.16.1	1.53	2.25.1	—	—	—	32.1
Floataam	1	37	1.14	1.51	2.27	3.01	—	—	34
Roman Dawn	1	41	1.18	1.54	2.25.1	—	—	—	31.1
Lantao Chief & Lowu Chief	1	36	1.14	1.48	2.22	—	—	—	34
Goldfinch	1	39.1	1.17.2	1.55	2.33	—	—	—	38
Pull Devil Pull Baker	1	37	1.12	1.47	2.22	2.57	—	—	35
Defiance Dahlia	1	36.4	1.11	1.48	2.24.2	3.01.4	2.35.3	—	33.4
Sincerity Dahlia	1	38	1.12.2	1.48.2	2.25	3.00.4	3.36.1	—	35.2
Dainty Dahlia	1	44	1.27	2.04	—	—	—	—	37
Roman Pride	1	37.2	1.13.2	1.48.2	2.19.2	—	—	—	31
Wild Fire Dahlia	1	37	1.11.3	1.50.3	2.28.3	3.04.1	3.38.3	—	34.2
Multum in Parvo	1	37	1.14	1.51	2.26	2.59.3	3.33	—	33.2
Jewel Dahlia	1	35	1.10.2	1.44.2	2.20.2	—	—	—	35
Martial Dahlia	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	36

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	{	Rear wheels	Twin, 900 mm. x 90 mm.
Gears (three-speed and reverse)	{ top, 7.25 : 1 2nd, 12.6 : 1 1st, 25.65 : 1
Body	{ Hinged-sided lorry with (semi-enclosed cab
Weights {	Front axle	1 ton, 5 cwt., 1 qr., 14 lbs.
	Back axle	1 ton, 15 cwt., 14 lbs.
Total weight of car unladen (with body)	3 tons, 2 qrs.
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General.—No work, other than replenishment and greasing was done throughout the trial, with the exception that the carburettor and petrol piping were dismantled thrice, in order to discover the reason for petrol shortage, which trouble ultimately caused three stops on the second day. The cause was found to be dirt in the petrol cock.

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H. 235 paid	b. 737	sa. 742	b. 745
K. of E. Asia n. Old 105 New 102	n. 103		n. 103
Marine Insurances.			
Cantons	b. 436	sa. 437	s. 440
North Chinas	n. 8144		n. 144
Unions	n. 240		b. 240
Vangtzeas	b. 24		b. 234
Far Easterns			s. 25
Fire Insurances.			
China Fires	b. 125		b. 125
H.K. Fires	b. 367	sa. 369	b. 370
Shipping.			
Douglas	b. 334	b. 395	sa. 40
H.K. Steamboats	n. ex div. 251	n. ex div. 251	s. 36
Indos (Pref.)	b. 36		
Indo Def. Lon/Reg.	n. 265		
Indo Def. H.K. Reg.	n. 260		s. 250
Shells	b. 82	s. 83	s. 85
Ferries	b. 36		b. 354
Refineries.			
Sugars	n. 150		s. 140
Malaboco	n. 48		n. 45
Mining.			
Kailan	b. 67		n. 75
Lanckate			
Shanghai Loats	n. 894		b. 914
Shai Explorations			
Raua	b. 1		b. 120
Tronoh	n. 235		
Ur Caspias	b. 11		
Benguet Con	P. 195		
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.			
H.K. Wharves	b. 91		n. 914
H. Docks	b. 167		b. 167
Shai Docks	s. 106		b. 105
N. Engineering	b. 834		n. 834
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.			
Centra	b. 145		b. 145
H.K. Hots.	b. 223	sa. 23	s. 23
H.K. Lands	b. 204	sa. 203	b. 203
H'phreys Est.	b. 1015		b. 1010
K'loon Lands	b. sa. 46		b. 46
L. Recaimators	b. 185		b. 155
West Points	b. 52		b. 52
Cotton Mills.			
Ewos	n. 320		b. 30
Orientals	n. 14		b. 14
Shai Cottons	P. 146		b. 146
Miscellaneous.			
Cements	s. 264	sa. 264	s. 264
China Light old	b. 124		b. 124
China Light new	b. 132		b. 132
China Providents	b. 132		b. 132
Dairy Farms	s. 254		s. 254
Electric H.K.	b. 24		b. 24
Electric Macao	n. 30		
H'kong & Canton Ice			
Hongkong Ropes	n. 35		n. 35
HK Tramways	b. 134		sa. 134
Peak Trams, old	b. 970		b. 934
Do. new	b. 1		b. 134
Steam Laundries			
Steel Foundries.	n. 116		b. 116
Water-boat	n. 18		n. 18
Watsons	b. 980		b. 980
Wm. Powells	b. 23		
Wisemans	b. 34		sa. 344

Hongkong, February 8, 1922.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE NEWS.

SUGARED PLUMS.

An Enterprising Hawker.

The business enterprise displayed by Lam Min, a hawker, landed him in Court yesterday. In order to attract customers he sold his goods by lottery. A number of tablets were placed in a bag, and a customer, fortunate enough to make a lucky draw, received a quantity of goods corresponding to a number inscribed on the tablet.

Whilst the hawker was carrying out this enterprising business in Stanley Street, a lukong came upon the scene, and deciding that Lam Min's business was gambling pure and simple, took him to the Police Station with the result that Lam Min's name figured on this morning's charge sheet. In vain did he try to explain to Mr. R. E. Lindsell that it was all business enterprise. His Worship asked:—

"What goods do you sell, then?"

"Sugared plums," the defendant replied.

"What is the best prize?"

"Five nicely sugared plums."

"Oh, and what is the worst prize?"

"One sugared plum."

"Any blank draw?"

"Not one," the defendant replied with professional pride.

"The least every customer gets is one plum."

His Worship:—"You cannot carry on that game again. I will discharge you this time; you will be fined if you are brought up here again."

Headquarters of Cantonese forces, in compliance with a request made by the American Consul General, has wired to Commanders Hsu Shun-chu in Kweilin and Ngai Bong-ping in Wuchow to strictly protect American subjects and missionaries' lives and properties in the Kwangsi province.

ENGLISH CATTLE FOR RUMANIA. During the next few days a large consignment of cattle, mostly pedigree stock, will be shipped from Liverpool by the Agricultural Relief of the Allies Committee to Rumania, to help rehabilitate the herds of that country, states a London journal.

PORT INTELLIGENCE.

The following shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Barry Maro 9	Max Wing J.C.J.L.	Hainan Batavia & Manila	Stonecutters Kowloon Bay
Tjukini			

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Sheaf Dart	Dodwell & Co.	Chinawatoa	8th Feb.
Shirayu M.	U.S.A.	Kingston via Singapore	
Mink M.	Lapique & Co.	Hainan	

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Fushimi M.	N.Y.K.	Victoria	9th Feb.
Bay State	Ad Line	Seattle	9th
Tottori M.	N.Y.K.	Japan	9th
Pakhoi	B & S	Hainan	9th
Tokushima M.	N.Y.K.	Colombia	10th
Keeman	B & S	New York	10th
Ulenace	J.M.C.	Hamburg	10th
City of Manchester	Bank Line	Hamburg	10th
Feng M.	N.Y.K.	Hangzhou	10th
Badja	C.J.L.	Hamburg	10th
Taiyan	B & S	Australia	10th
Kingman	B & S	Singapore	10th
Kwangchow	B & S	Bangkok	10th
Tamise	B & S	Hainan	10th
Kaitong	B & S	Hainan	10th
Mausang	J.M.C.	Sandakan	11th
Fookang	J.M.C.	Calcutta	11th
Yuenlong	J.M.C.	Manila	11th
Waihsing	J.M.C.	Shanghai	11th
Changshu	J.M.C.	Bangkok	11th
Kwaihsiang	J.M.C.	Shanghai	11th
Takang	J.M.C.	Hainan	11th
Tienyo M.	T.K.K.	San Francisco	11th
Sado M.	N.Y.K.	Singapore	11th
Bonco M.	N.Y.K.	Batavia	11th
Changsha	B & S	Australia	11th
Matsumoto M.	N.Y.K.	Rotterdam	12th
Elster Dolar	R.D.C.	New York	12th
Daners	P & O	Shanghai	12th
City of Simla	Bank Line	Yokohama	12th
Cobatta M.	N.Y.K.	Japan	12th
West Farano	S & D	San Francisco	12th

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Tokushima M.	N.Y.K.	Kobe	9th Feb.
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City of Simla	Bank Line	Singapore	11th
Calcutta M.	N.Y.K.	Singapore	12th
Dacre Castle	D & C.	New York	12th
Awa M.	N.Y.K.	Singapore	12th
Golden State	M.C.C.	London	12th
Tokio M.	N.Y.K.	Singapore	12th
Tran M.	T.K.K.	Singapore	12th
Yamato M.	T.K.K.	Yokohama	12th
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Novara	P & O	London	12th
Shidzoku M.	N.Y.K.	London	12th
Kendal Castle	D & C.	New York	12th
Lake Gilpin	P.M.	Kowloon	Feb. 14
Tenyo M.	T.K.K.	Kowloon	Feb. 14
Wakasa	N.Y.K.	Singapore	Feb. 12
Kima	M & B	Shanghai	Feb. 12
Glenasmoy	J.M.C.	Shanghai	Feb. 12
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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

EASTERN	4,000	8th Mar.	Manila, S'pore, Thursday Is., Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne
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MAJOR CASSEL'S CAR.

(Continued from Page 6.) would make this cock unnecessary. He does not remember that the defendant told him that the plug in the cock had been ground in too far, nor that the best thing to do was to recap the hole and put in a new plug, to serve until the three-way cock arrived. But the defendant's evidence on these points is clear and straightforward. As he is not contradicted, I necessarily accept his story. This involves the conclusion that some rough or unskilled person had been meddling with this part of the car before the defendant saw it. The defendant states, furthermore, that he found the steel collar scratched and the enamel badly chipped. This evidence is corroborated by Engineer Grantham, who was not at all a bad witness. The defendant stated that the chauffeur admitted to him that he had ground in the plug himself and I accept this statement against the chauffeur's denial. I think that the chauffeur had been tinkering here. There is no evidence at all that the enamel and the collar were undamaged when they reached the defendant. He says that they were not and I am bound to find in his favour on this issue. I accept his story on the pet-cock point, and I think that he acted not unreasonably on the whole under the circumstances of the case.

As to the engine pressure pump, I find no damage caused by the defendant's negligence. It is admitted that if he knew that a new pump had been ordered it was not unreasonable to insert a wooden plug as a purely temporary measure.

Similarly with the other heads of damage: e.g. the camshaft cover, it is unnecessary to say more than that I accept the defendant's explanations, which were clear and straightforward and are corroborated by Grantham.

It is plain to my mind that there had been carelessness or unskillful treatment of the machinery before the car reached the defendants. I find it impossible, on the evidence as a whole, to say definitely that Mr. Rowe is responsible for any material part of the damage—some of it, it is quite clear, was not done by him.

It does not carry the case quite far enough when Mr. Scott says that the parts that he inspected were recently damaged. It is not for the defendant to prove by whom this was done. But Davis had been overhauling the car at a fairly recent date, and I am prepared to find as a fact that the grinding-in of the plug in the pet-cock was done by the chauffeur.

I have been most carefully through the whole of the evidence and have given my judgment the most earnest consideration. I think that a jury would have found the same difficulties that I have done, and would therefore pronounce for the defendants, as I am bound to do.

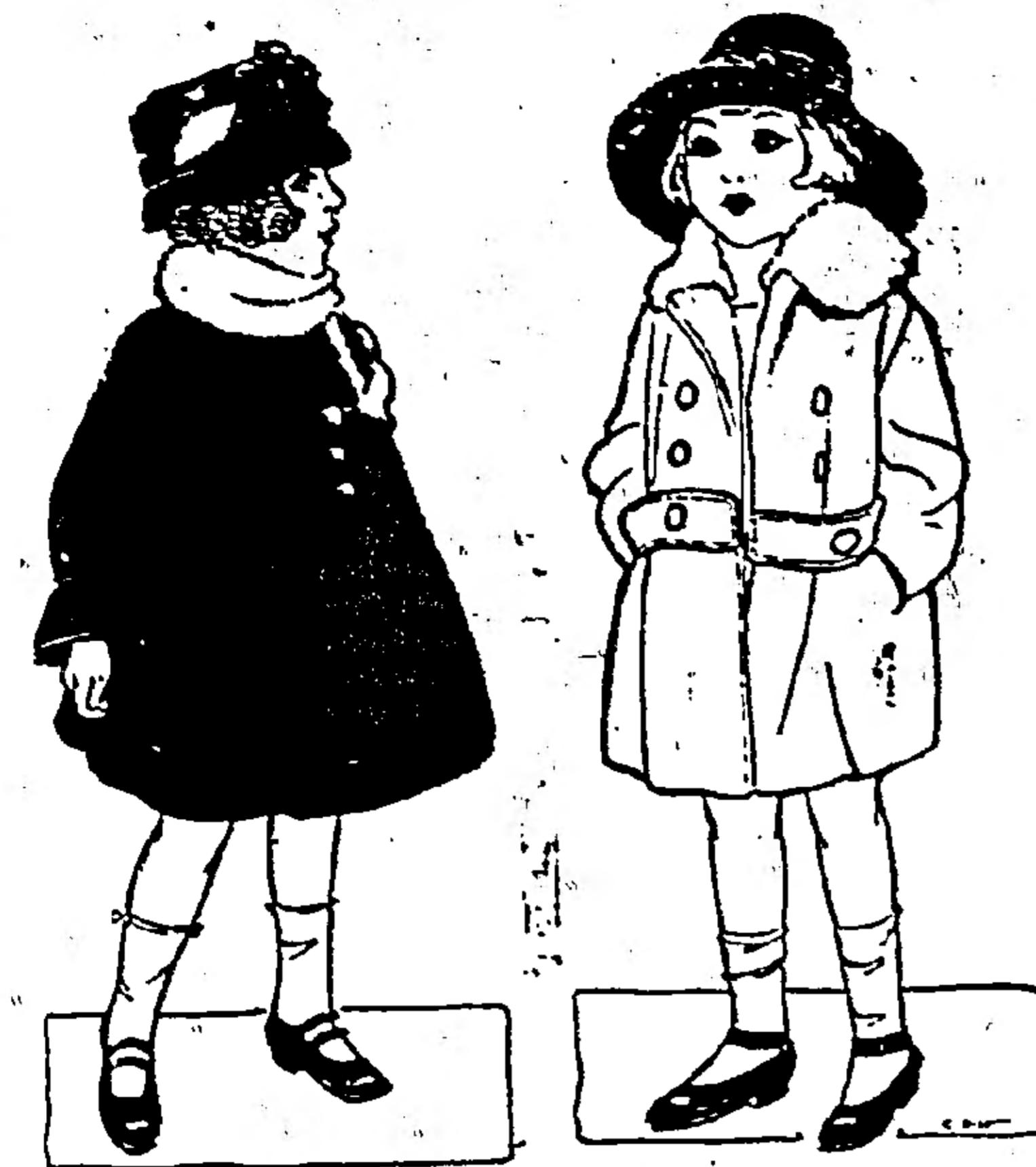
Judgment is therefore entered for the defendants with costs.

The solicitor for the plaintiff on the counter-claim was Mr. F. G. Vaux (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) and for the defendants, Mr. G. G. N. Tinson (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Masters).

RAW COTTON.

The expectation has been realized that imports of raw cotton would add heavily to Japan's trade accounts payable in the early part of the current year, owing to immense orders having been dispatched to the producing centres since last autumn, what with the market having weakened and what with the anticipation of high quotations in the spring of this year. Since November or December, imports have been rapidly growing. In Kobe are being enormous heaps of raw cotton. The Mitsubishi Wadamsaki stores on the 10th instant had as many as 147,750 bales, or 111,457 bales of American cotton, 35,989 bales of Indian cotton, and 304 bales of mixed cotton, besides which 48,506 bales of American cotton, 2,542 bales of Indian cotton, and 1,403 bales of mixed cotton were stored in sheds. In addition, over 30,000 bales are left in lighters, as there is no room in the warehouses. Steamers via the Panay Canal are bringing 5,000 to 7,000 bales of American cotton, some even as many as 17,000 bales. Such being the case, the Cotton Guild is very earnestly negotiating with the mills for delivery, the mills hesitating owing to the enormous cotton in stock, etc.

FOR THE KIDDIES.



By Marian Hale.

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UNWHOLESOME MEAT.

A Police Court Case.

An interesting statement by the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon on the meat supplies of the Colony during the present strike was heard in evidence which he gave in a case before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning, when a stallholder of the Wan Chai Market was charged on two counts—of exposing for sale meat which was not slaughtered in the Government Slaughter House, and of exposing for sale meat which was not in a condition fit for human consumption.

In submitting that the two charges really come under one offence and therefore should be dealt with as one, Mr. M. K. Lo, for the defence said that as far as he knew, the meat was in a fresh condition having arrived from Canton only that morning.

Evidence was given by Sanitary Inspector Reed to the effect that on the 1st February at three o'clock, he examined the meat amounting to eighty-one catties, which was exposed for sale in the defendant's stall, and found that it was in a condition not fit for human consumption. He had the meat removed to the Slaughter House

was normal and would still be normal as long as the strike lasted.

Mr. Lindsell imposed a fine of \$30 on the charge of exposing unwholesome meat for sale, and adjourned the other count in order to consider its relation to Section 82.

What was the reason for that? To ensure that the meat was properly sprayed with kerosene, if it was thrown into the dust boat without being thus treated, it might be picked up by the dust coolies and sold.

Did not the Sanitary coolies take away some of the meat to use it as food?—Not as far as I know.

Mr. W. J. Easton, the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, deposed that he examined the meat when it was brought to him at about three o'clock in the afternoon. It was in a decomposed state and quite unfit for human consumption. He gave orders that it should be disposed of, either by spraying with kerosene, or by sending it to the Kennedy Town Crematorium to be destroyed.

Mr. Lo:—As far as defendant knew, this beef was slaughtered only that morning and came down by the morning train. Do you think that the state you found it in was consistent with the time it took to come down here?

Witness:—Quite possible. With a lot of luggage in the train, would not its place be close, and would not its condition be due also to the motion of the train?—Quite possible if it was placed in a stuffy van, and amongst decaying vegetables.



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The monsoon will set in again along the Coast of China and freshen slightly over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 2.76 inches, against an average of 1.94 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

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